Branch 133, Legion Village, Inc.



Village View April 2025

Many happy returns to our April birthday people:

Murray G. Sharon S. Marlene R.

Helen S. Lois M. Joel H.

Anne M. Rowena T. John S.

Robert E. Audrey W. Louise T.



Welcome to our new tenants!

March generous donations:

- Joanne M. in Memory of Ray MacKay
- Brenda H. in Memory of Ray MacKay
- Dianne D. in Memory of Harry and Elda Dingman

- Carol L. in Memory of Ray MacKay
- Dorothy T. in Memory of Clifford Turk
- Paul H. in Memory of Linda Leoen

Donations in Memory of someone, or for Resident Activity Fund can be made at anytime in the office. Please leave donations in an envelope, with your name and unit# so we can issue a tax receipt (for donations of \$20 or greater). Tax receipts are issued by the end of the month, each month.

New Tenant Orientation

We will be holding another New Tenant meeting in May 2025, to welcome those who are new to Legion Village. If any tenants have questions, they can call Chyvone Samis at 905-372-8705 x101, or Michael at 905-372-8705 x103. At these meetings, we discuss safety issues, including fire safety and evacuation, and some of our activities we have in the Rec Hall and lounges.

Activities:

A gentle reminder that residents are not permitted behind the bar at the Golden Rail Pub anytime, unless they are volunteering and have a current Smart Serve certification. Residents are also asked to allow the staff and volunteers to work at the Rec Hall and limit the personal time in the kitchen area. This is a working area, and it can become congested quite easily.

Advanced Care Planning will take place again in the Rec Hall in May. We ask for residents to sign up on the sheet that will be placed on the corkboard for Activities.

Activity Department will be posting rules for Potluck Lunches on the next sign-up sheet. Please make yourself aware of the rules if you plan on attending the event.

Good Friday Service will be held in the Rec Hall on Thursday April 17th at 10:00 AM. Brenda Holnbeck and Major Dan Broome will be leading the services. Please come out to enjoy our long-standing tradition as all denominations are welcome.

Please note that the snacks in Phase III are for Phase III residents, as this is included in their rent. All residents are welcome to join scheduled Coffee Morning and other Activities that are held in Phase III. Please see the calendar for scheduled events and their starting times.

Activity Highlights

April 10th – 2 PM – Oriana Singers in the Rec Hall

April 10th – 6:30PM – Foresters Entertaining in the Main Lounge

April 16th – 2PM – Memory Lane Singers in the Rec Hall

April 17th – 10:00AM – Good Friday/Easter Service in the Rec Hall

April 17th – 2PM – Easter Tea in the Rec Hall

April 18th – Good Friday; Office and Store Closed

April 21st – 12PM – Potluck in the Rec Hall

April 23rd – 2PM – Birthdays in the Rec Hall

April 24th – 6:30PM – Foresters Entertaining in the Main Lounge

April 25th – 7PM – Pat and Ren in Phase 3 Lounge

April 30th – Lunch Out at Mandarin in Oshawa – Sign up by April 21st on Activity Board

Kitchen and Dining Room Report

We will be serving fish options for those interested on Good Friday in the Dining Room on Friday April 18th. Easter Sunday we will be serving a Roast Turkey Meal in the dining room. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Front Desk, with limited space available to join us for Easter Dinner at a cost of \$20.00. If you already eat your meals though our meal plan, you do not need to sign up, and there will be no additional cost. If you know you will be away for Easter dinner and you are part of our Meal Plan, please let Tammy know by April 11th.

March BOARD HIGHLIGHTS:

- Rent increase for July 1, 2025 of 2.5% approved by the Board.
- Our in-house accounting firm Part-Time CFO presented the financials for January, and the Board approved the figures.
- The Board approved funding to replace the outdated intercom systems in Phase 1 and Phase 3.

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING DISCUSSION

At Legion Village, we prioritize safety and security for all our tenants regardless of the care they receive. Our policies and procedures are continually updated to ensure the best possibles outcomes for all. I would like to provide clarification on how the Supportive Housing workers and management can assist a tenant not currently on our program.

- 1. **Falls**: If a tenant has fallen and is unable to get up on their own, our Supportive Housing worker cannot lift you but will:
 - a. Guide you to stand up safely if you have the strength to get up independently and have no visible injuries;
 - b. Call 911 to request a lift assist (if unable to get up independently);
 - c. Remain in the apartment with the tenant until EMS arrive to take over;
- 2. **Emergency Situations**: In the event of a tenant requiring CPR:
 - a. Supportive Housing staff will call 911 (or delegate another worker (e.g. Housekeeper, Reception, etc. if no other PSWs are available/on duty);
 - b. A CPR-trained worker (such as any PSW, or the Manager or Director of Supportive Housing) will be called to initiate CPR.
- 3. Minor Injuries requiring basic first aid:
 - a. A First-aid-trained Supportive Housing worker will provide basic first aid
 - b. Direct the tenant to their Physician, Next of Kin, Emergency Department and/or Health 8-1-1 (formerly Telehealth)
- 4. Tenants requesting **medical advice** are advised to contact their Family Physician, Next of Kin or Health 8-1-1 (formerly Telehealth)

I thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a safe and supportive environment at Legion Village.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

We have had Trinity Fire Systems in to attend to our testing of Legion Village's Fire Panel and Alarms. We had updated the fire panel from last year's issues with alarms. All alarms were tested in all areas of the building, and I am happy to report that all systems are working well. Thank you for your patience during the Annual Fire System Test.

If you water your flowers in the windows in Phase 1, please remember to only lightly water, as the water pours out of the pots and down the walls causing damages.

Please take a moment to check out our new and informative website for Legion Village.

You can access current and previous editions of the Village View and Activity Calendars.

We will be adding features over time, including wait lists and more resources.

Check it out at www.legionvillage.ca

A huge thank you goes out to David Edwards for content creation and Angie Jones for her photography.

Please inform your visitors and/or caregivers that they need to park in the South End of the Parking Lot, which is labelled as VISITORS. We have had some residents notify the office that visitors/caregivers are parking in resident numbered spots. We will be painting the lines and numbers again this spring to make it easier to determine which spots are for visitors.

And finally......

As spring weather is on the horizon, we will be entering the clean-up phase of the parking lots and grounds to rid the salt, sand and debris. We will be painting the parking lot when the warmer weather is here to stay. We will be bringing all furniture out and adding some new benches and tables.

All the staff and volunteers at Legion Village wish you a very Happy Easter and enjoyable Spring Season.

Sincerely,

Michael Eden

Executive Director